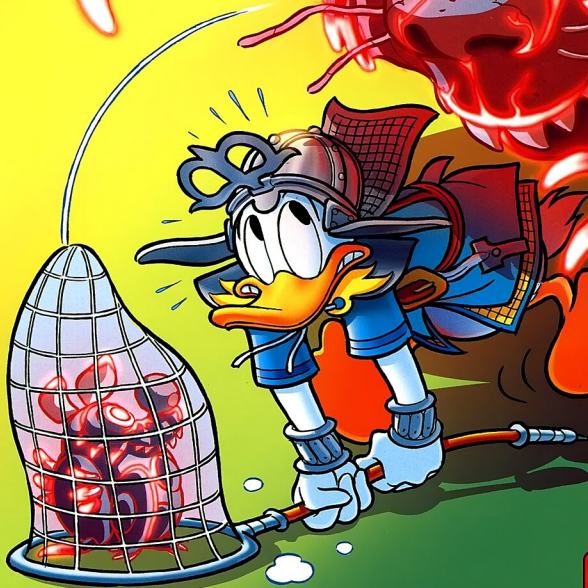


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LAST ISSUE:

The mini-galaxy of Feudarnia—an alternate-reality home for our Duckburg and Mousketon stars—is living year three of a ruthless siege! It's a constant attack by the Meteormaster and his Meteorbeasts—giant animals made of enchanted stone called Dragonite. The only hope of beating these monsters is the Beastbusters and their Busterbots: feisty local bounty hunters and the flying robot boats they have built for that purpose!

Is there a way to win this fight for good? Well, Beastbuster Mickey Mouse was bringing the Magnus Malleus, a giant magic hammer, to Magicianeer Gyro Gearloose for that very reason. But the Meteormaster's minions—Magma De Spell and the Beagle Boys—got in the way! Now Donald Duck, former odd-job man, is filling in for Mickey... flying the hammer to safety, and out to beat beasts just like Mickey, too!

Mickey... hmm... where's Mickey now? Uh-oh...

—David Gerstein, Archival Editor

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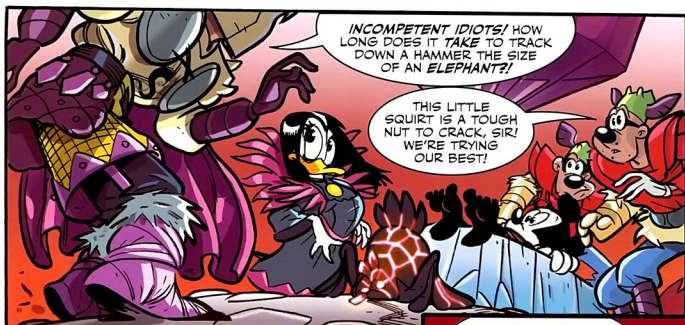
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Chapter 1
I AM THE CHOSEN ONE!







FWEEEEEEEEEEEEEE





WHOOPS! MY BAD!
FALSE ALARM! IT'S
JUST EMIL!

WRRR



EMIL EAGLE

WHO:

The Meteormaster's spy--specializing in infiltration, betrayal and doublecrossing!

HOME:

Villainburgh Township

SECRET MISSION:

Sabotaging Magicianeer Gyro Gearloose!

WEAKNESS:

Over-obsessive!



I'M BACK, GREAT
METEORMASTER! WITH
SOME VERY INTRIGUING
NEWS...

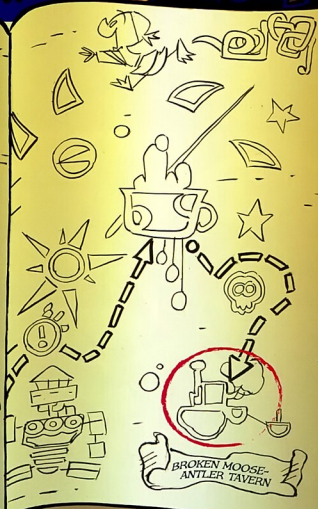
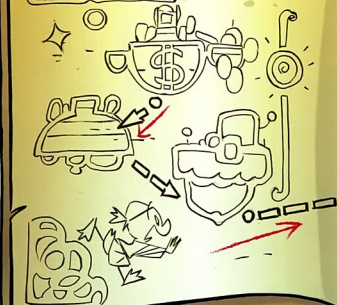
REALLY,
EMIL? SPILL
IT!

MEANWHILE—IN IRONBURGH! DONALD SHOULD BE TAKING THE MAGNUS MALLEUS TO GYRO'S SECRET LAB... BUT INSTEAD HE'S HANGING AROUND HERE TO CATCH METEORBEASTS AND EARN CASH REWARDS!

>SIGH!< THE LIFE OF A BEASTBUSTER IS AWFULLY HECTIC! BUT WE'VE AMASSED A FORTUNE IN A SCANT FEW DAYS!

METEORBEASTS CAPTURED

Otter	170 gold pieces
Eel	230 gold pieces
Antigator	80 gold pieces
Flea	3 gold pieces
	483 gold pieces





WITH ALL
THIS MOOLAH,
WE CAN AFFORD
A FEAST!

TOO BAD THIS
TAVERN ONLY HAS
SOUP! AND IT'S GETTING
COLD WAITING FOR UNCA
DONALD TO STOP
HIS INCESSANT
BRAGGING!

...AND THEN I
TRICKED THAT
METEORBEAST INTO
FALLING INTO A HUGE
PIT I DUG!



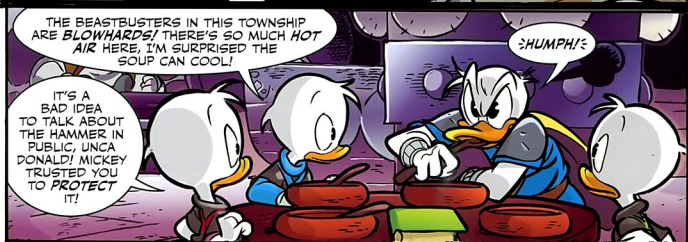
PSHAW! I CAN
DIG *THREE* PITS
BEFORE NOON ON
A BAD DAY!

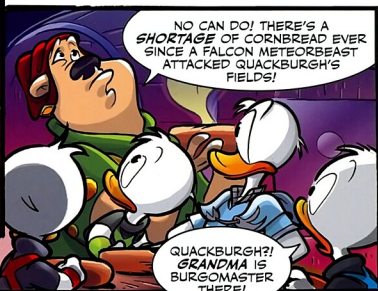
OH, YEAH?! THEN TELL
ME, ATHANOR WINDBAGGER!
ARE YOU—BY ANY CHANCE—THE
CHOSEN ONE?! THE SOLE
GUARDIAN OF THE GREAT
HAMMER MADE OF REAL
DRAGONITE?!!



I DON'T *NEED* TRAPS
AND GADGETS TO OVERCOME
METEORBEASTS! I HAVE THE
MAGNUS MALLEUS,
AND—

UNCA
DONALD!





"THAT MONSTER BIRD SPITS
FIRE! IT TURNED QUACKBURGH'S
CROP INTO POPCORN!"



"SO... NO RAW CORN... NO
CORN FLOUR, NO CORNBREAD!"



MEANWHILE... AT THE
MOON OF THE DRAGON!

I SAW IT WITH
MY OWN EYES, MASTER!
MAGICIANEER GYRO FORGED
THE **TREMBLING ANVIL**,
USING EVERY LAST SCRAP
OF DRAGONITE AT
HIS DISPOSAL!

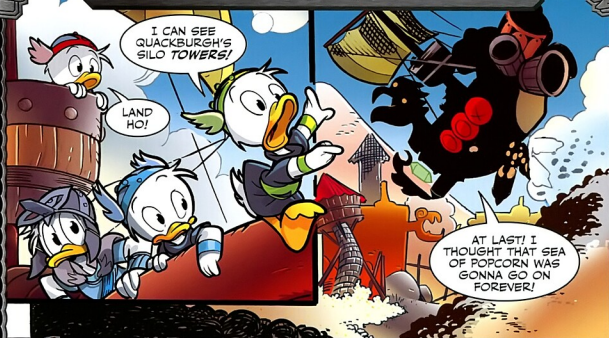
AND SINCE THE
MAGNUS MALLEUS ONLY
WORKS WHEN **STRUCK**
ON THE ANVIL...

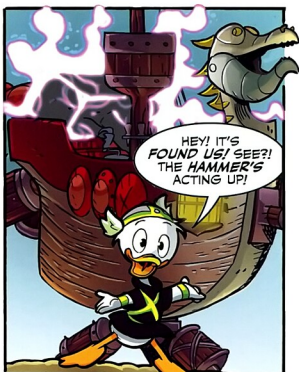
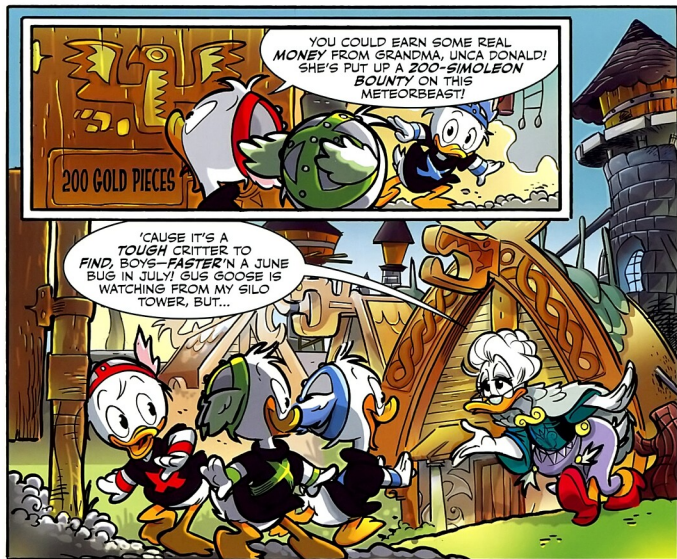
AND I KNOW
THE LOCATION OF
GYRO'S SECRET
LAB!

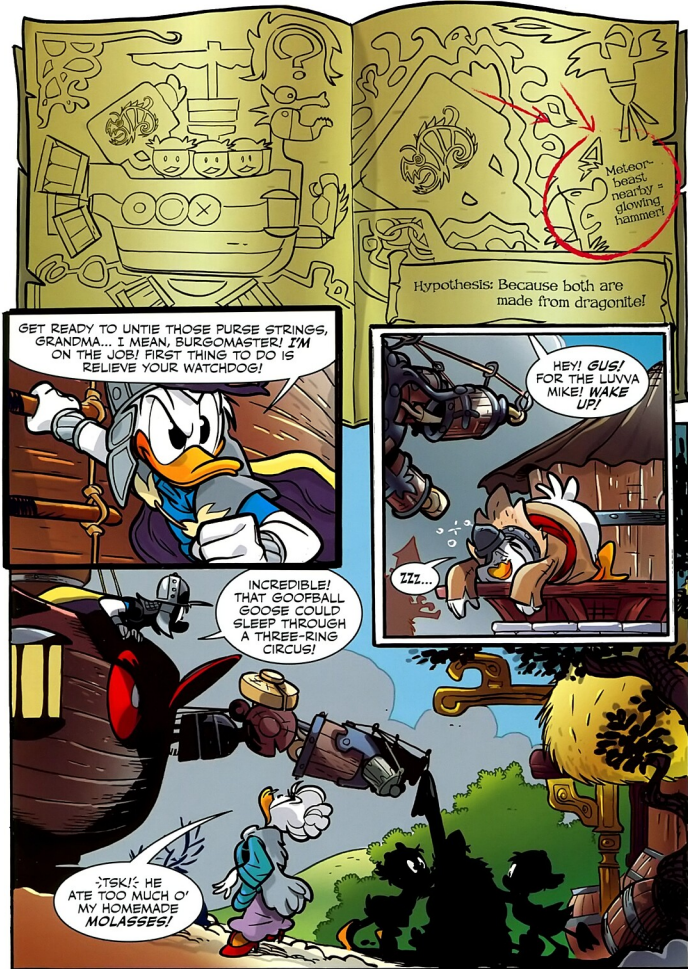
...IF
WE **DESTROY**
THE ANVIL, WE'LL
NEUTRALIZE THE
HAMMER!

FINALLY! SOMEONE
WITH **RESULTS!** TO
THE FUSION BAY, EMIL!
CREATE THE METEOR-
BEASTS WE NEED FOR
A **SUCCESSFUL**
ATTACK!

Chapter 2 CORN WARS







GET READY TO UNTIE THOSE PURSE STRINGS, GRANDMA... I MEAN, BURGOMASTER! I'M ON THE JOB! FIRST THING TO DO IS RELIEVE YOUR WATCHDOG!

INCREDIBLE! THAT GOOFBALL GOOSE COULD SLEEP THROUGH A THREE-RING CIRCUS!

↳TSK! HE ATE TOO MUCH O' MY HOMEMADE MOLASSES!

Hypothesis: Because both are made from dragonite!

Meteor-beast nearby = glowing hammer!

HEY! GUS! FOR THE LUVVA MIKE! WAKE UP!

Zzz...



TYPE:
Avian Meteorbeast

POWER:
Breathes fire

WEAKNESS:
Poor peripheral vision

ENERGY: 35

FALCON METEORBEAST

BADA-BOOM!





BACK AT THE
MOON OF THE
DRAGON!

BOY, THAT EMIL SURE IS
SMART! LOOKS LIKE HE'S
YOUR BOSS' GOLDEN
BOY!

I BET HE'LL END
UP GOVERNOR OF
FEUDARNIA!

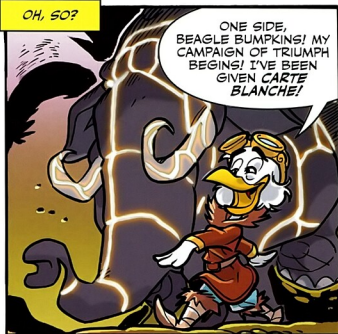


~TSK!~ TRYING TO PLAY US
MINIONS *AGAINST* EACH OTHER, SO
YOU CAN *ESCAPE*?! THAT'S THE *OLDEST*
TRICK IN THE BOOK! IT
WON'T WORK!



OH, SO?

ONE SIDE,
BEAGLE BUMPKINS! MY
CAMPAIGN OF TRIUMPH
BEGINS! I'VE BEEN
GIVEN CARTE
BLANCHE!



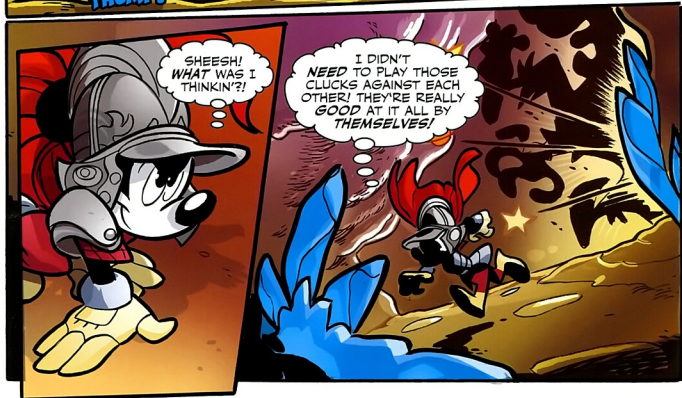
HAR! LISTEN TO HIM!
THAT WHISKERED MICROBE
THINKS HE'S *BETTER*
THAN US!

I DON'T
THINK IT! I
KNOW IT!

BAORRR!

HI6666!





Chapter 3 A STICKY PLAN

...BUT THE
BRAVE KNIGHT
DID **NOT** GIVE
UP!



HE MANAGED TO
EAT TH' **BIGGEST**
MOLASSES-DRIZZLED
BAGUETTE IN TH'
KINGDOM...



...AND
GET ENGAGED
TO TH' BEAUTIFUL
PRINCESS!



FADE-OUT! THAT'S
TH' BEDTIME STORY I
SHOW TO QUACKBURGH'S
KIDS **EVERY** NIGHT! WHAT
DO YOU THINK?

THE END



HMM... THAT
GADGET MAKES IMAGES
COME **ALIVE!** WHAT'S
IT CALLED?



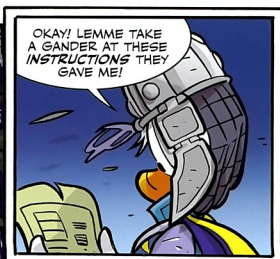
I'VE DUBBED IT
TH' **IMAGINATOR!**



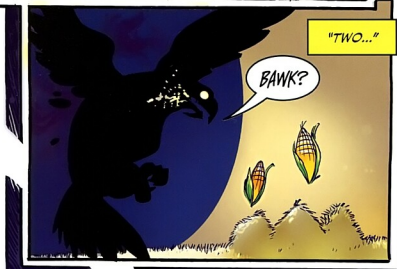
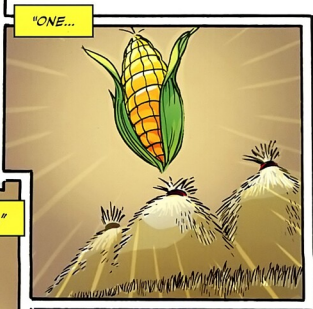
...I THINK
I ATE TOO
MUCH MOLASSES!
:YAWN!:

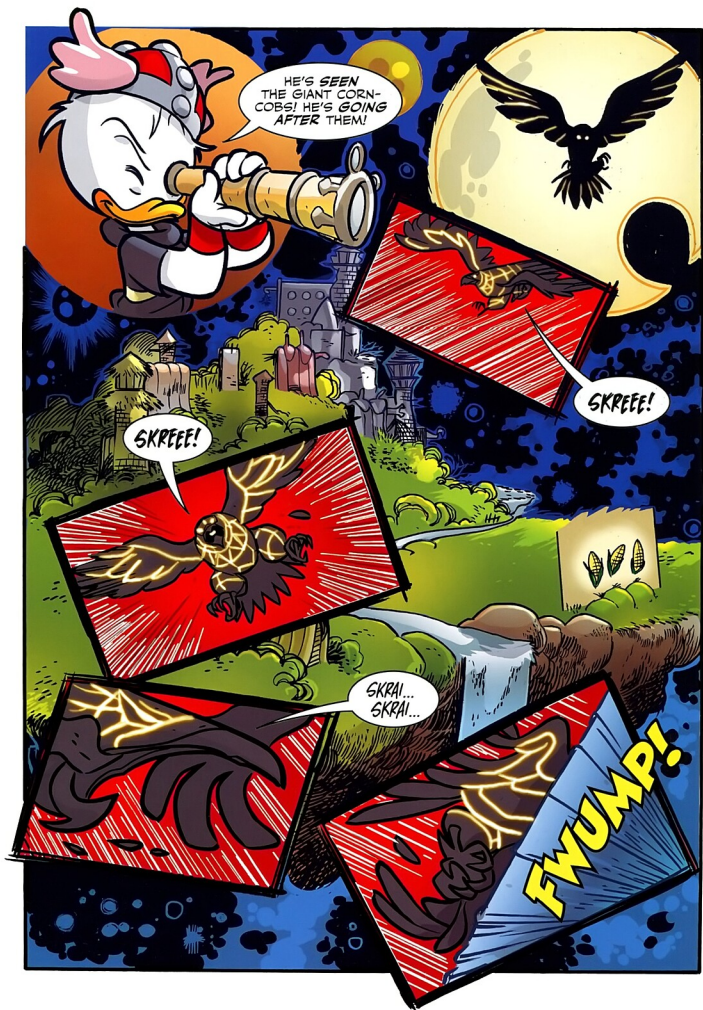














SKRAAA!!!

RUSTLE
RUSTLE!

STUCK LIKE A
CHARM-IN GRANDMA'S
MOLASSES!

BUT WHERE'S
UNCA DONALD?! IF
HE DOESN'T *HURRY*,
THE METEORBEAST
WILL WORK ITSELF
FREE!

ACHOOO!
COULDN'T THOSE KIDS
HAVE FOUND A *BETTER*
DISGUISE FOR MY
BUSTERBOT?!

OH, WELL! EVEN
IF I CAN'T *SEE*—MY
HAMMER CAN FIND
THE BEAST!

TAKE THAT,
ROCKY RAPTOR! REVERT
TO *HARMLESS*
DRAGONITE!

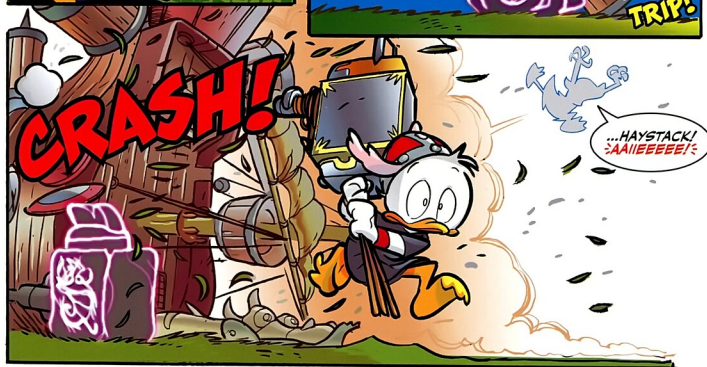
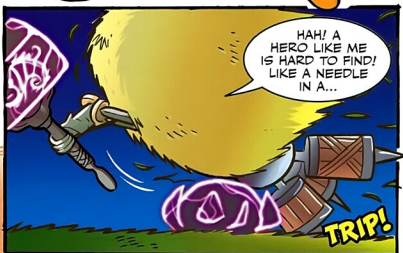
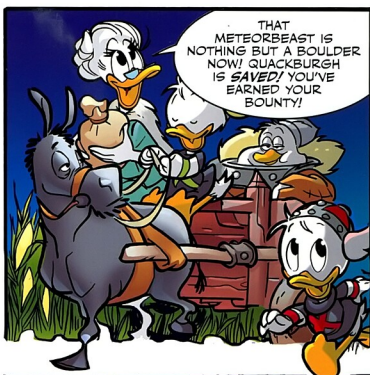
WHAM!



HUZZAH! THOSE
"GIANT" CORNCOBBS
PROJECTED BY THE
IMAGINATOR TRICKED
THE METEORBEAST!

WHIRRR!

UNTANGLE
THE GIANT CANVAS,
MEN! SHOW UNCA
DONALD HOW WE
RIGGED IT!







MUNCH!

MUNCH!
MUNCH!

CREEEAAKK...





END OF EPISODE 3
To be continued...

CROSSTALK

An Irregular Duckburg/Mouseon Update



Happy 2017!
As the saying goes,
"another year over,
and deeper in debt"...
except in this case, our

debt is to fan-favorite Disney talents like

Romano Scarpa and Andrea "Casty" Castellan... and we're only deeper in IDW's ongoing exploration of Disney Comics epics, past and present!

That said, as befits the start of any new year, it's still time to improve ourselves a little... **turn over a new leaf.** Iron those bugs out, New Year's resolution style. Great comics can always be greater, and funnier, and more thought-provoking and outrageous. C'mon—if the *Phantom Blot* can improve, then so can we!

Hey, what... the Blot?!

That's right—but alas, Mickey's evil archenemy hasn't sworn off crime, as one might expect a New Year's "improvement" to involve. Instead he's simply sworn to carry out his crimes in newer, more hi-tech ways... in far-off places where "that pestiferous wart," Mickey Mouse, can't trip him up!

Yes... with *Mickey Mouse* #16, it's finally time for "Darkenblot": the start of an epic three-part adventure taking the Blot's sinister schemes far away from Mouseon—to the experimental prototype community of *Avantgarde City*, where there's a powerful Sky Police force to co-opt... and where the local big-name lawman is egotistical Lieutenant Zark, easily bent into battling the Blot's enemies!

What happens when the forces of fate bring Mickey to Avantgarde, after all? Can our overeager Mouse turn over a few new leaves of his own—before the forces of his foe close in?

And what, when Donald Duck and Gladstone Gander also want to turn over new leaves? No, we're not talking about *Mickey Mouse* any more... but about *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* #736! In "Quest for the Faceplant," our famously feud-a-rific cousins try to get along for the first time! They're burying the hatchet

with **big money** at stake: it's not often that a monster carnivorous plant blooms in the forest of Kokongo... and it will take Gladstone's luck and Donald's reflexes to film **prize-winning footage** without anyone getting gulped! Too bad for them, a certain miserly uncle has **also** heard about the prize...

...But not before turning over his own new leaf in his own magazine! *Uncle Scrooge* #22 sees old McDuck *selflessly* protecting his wanna-be wooer, she-tcoon Brigitta MacBridge, and her loser of a business buddy, Jubal Pomp! What brought Scrooge's change of heart? It might be that for once, Brigitta found a treasure before him... or that Jubal will give Scrooge his stake in exchange for the rescue... or that "The Golden Birds," deadly Jurassic avians from a world out of time, might bring more trouble than the average treasure!



Speaking of trouble, how about the new leaf that **Pegleg Pete's** turning over? In *Donald Quest* #3, the latest link in our steampunk miniseries finds the famously noisy, rowdy cat-man... **staying quiet** and **sneaky** to spy on Donald as he rises to fame as a **Beastbuster!** How is Pete keeping under control?



What's at stake? Donald, Mickey and even Emil Eagle may find a scheme in play more layered than an onion... and a few other leaves may turn before it's over!

Which brings us... hey! **back to Mickey Mouse** #16 for one last detail. Behind "Darkenblot" you'll find **Super Goof** in a classic 1971 rematch with mad weather scientist Dr. Dunk, last seen in our *Mickey* #8. But what's with Dunk's different lunks... er, looks? Glasses, thicker hair; did someone forget how Dunk looked before? Well—Dr. Dunk tells us that he's **turned over a new leaf** too. His last defeat at the hands of Super Goof caused him to lose face, so he gave himself another one!

It's not just leaves that turn. Worms do, too.



—David Gerstein,
Archival Editor

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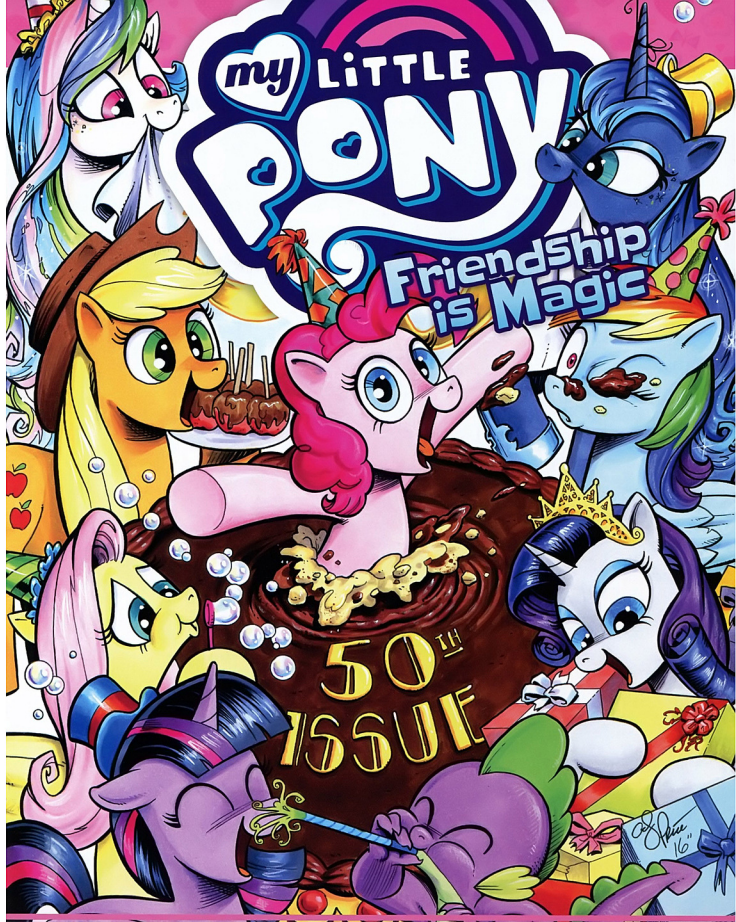
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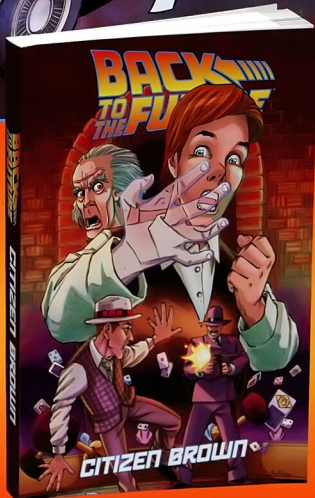
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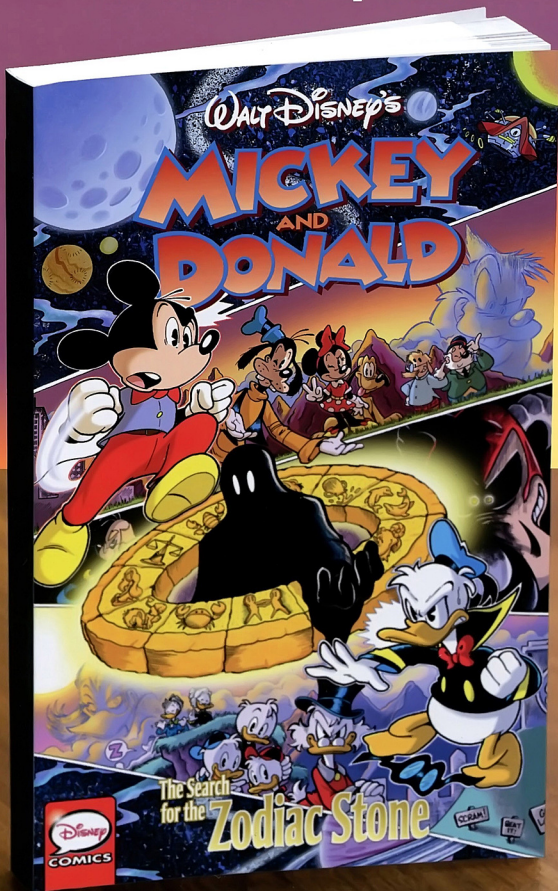
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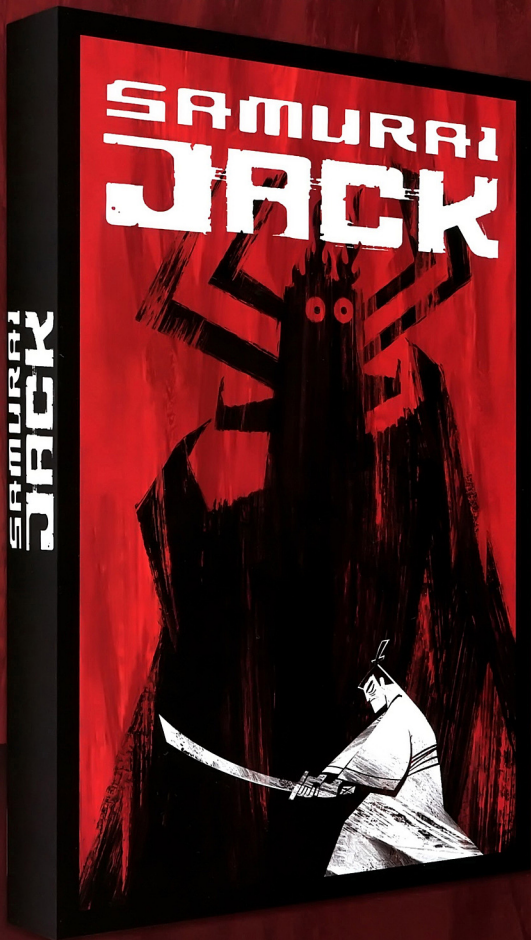
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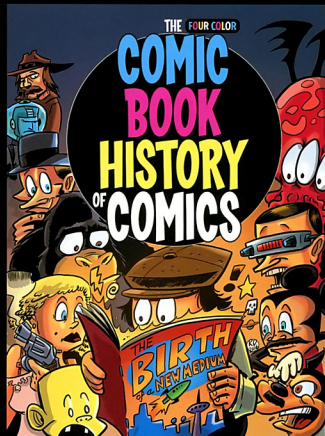


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